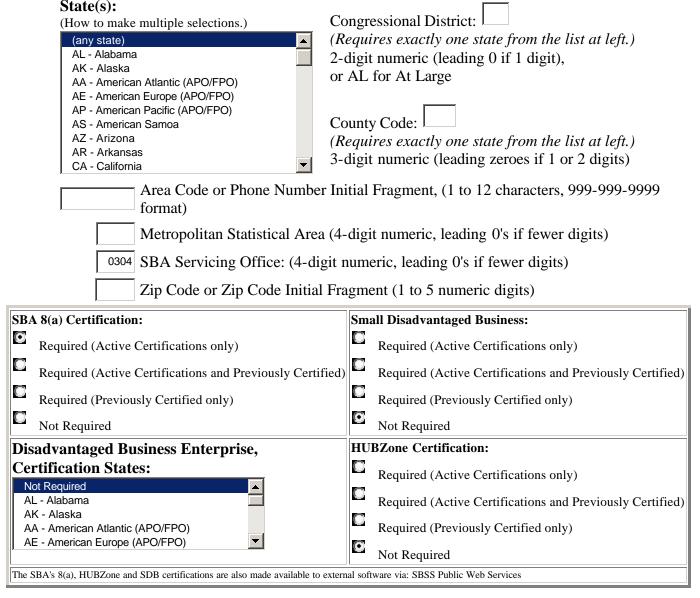
## Search for 8(a) Firms

All 8(a) firms have profiles within the <u>Dynamic Small Business Search (DSBS) Database</u> of Central Contractor Registration (CCR). SBA controls the 8(a), SDB and HUBZone designations that appear on the DSBS database, formerly SBA's PRO-Net Marketing database. The DSBS database is an outstanding method for conducting market research, verifying certifications, and identifying business partners. You can place the DSBS page directly on your desktop for easy access. Simple searches can be performed by utilizing just a few selection criteria. You do not have to enter a criterion in each field – the best results often result from entry in as few fields as possible.

For example, to produce a list of all 8(a) firms within the SBA Richmond District Office (RDO) servicing area, you would enter "0304" (which is the RDO office number) under SBA Servicing Office and click the "Required (Active Certifications only)" button to produce a list. You can click on the name of the firm to bring up their individual profile, which will provide complete details on the firm. See below:



You can also search by keyword or NAICS code. If you have very specific needs you can use the other fields to narrow your search. If you also choose another designation, i.e. – HUBZone or SDVOSB and 8(a), your search will bring up only those firms that have multiple designations, not either/or. If you need assistance with a search, please contact the SBA RDO at (804) 771-2400 ext. 116.